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Dear Preet:

As Co-chair of the Luncheon Committee of the New York Council of Defense Lawyers, I want to thank you for graciously consenting to be the speaker and honored guest at our luncheon on December 10. I know your observations and plans as you assume control of the Office will be of great interest to our members.

The NYCDL hosts three or four lunches throughout the year in addition to the Ostrow lunch in the Spring. In the past few years, District Judges Raymond Dearie, George Daniels and Gerard Lynch, have appeared as speakers at our luncheons, as have then United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York Michael Garcia and United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York Benton Campbell.

The December luncheon will be held in one of the banquet rooms of the Yale Club, 50 Vanderbilt Avenue. The format for the luncheons, which are usually attended by 50-70 of our members, is rather open. We begin at noon with a reception followed by lunch. After lunch, your remarks can be as long or short as you like. Speakers usually take about fifteen or twenty minutes for their prepared remarks, after which they normally consent to respond to questions from the members. We adjourn by 2:00. You are welcome to have one or two of your staff members join us.

I look forward to seeing you on December 10. If you would like more information on the NYCDL, you might find our website, NYCDL.org, of interest. I am, of course, available to answer any questions and discuss any details.

Sincerely,

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